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## FIGHTING THEM OVER.

What Our Veterans Have to Say About Their Old Campaigns.

The Artillery Duel at Antietam.

TO THE EDITOR: After reading the article in your issue of June 19, by Comrade W. E. that I was there, too. It brought to mind many | The brigade is composed of the 2d, 5th, 8th and events and scenes that occurred in the very | 16th regiments, and the 1st, 3d and 5th batteries short space of time immediately following of artillery. back. We were composed of the 6th Me., 5th | Beach on Aug. 7th. Wis., 43d N.Y., and 49th Pa. It was a fearfully riding up, bare beaded, his long, white hair 58, Sutton; Adj't., G. H. Waldron. streaming in the wind, his tall form erect, and | Private Dalzell anno nees that the next solgave some orders in a clear, distinct voice. Our | diers' Reunion at Caluwell, Ohio, will be held brigade formed quickly into line and advanced | Sept. 17, 18. were working with their sleeves rolled up, and Reserves, and Thos. J. Steward, Adj't-Gen., some of them bare to the skin to their waist, G. A. R., Pennsylvania. shot. They were making a perfect hell of for his battery, for, as we came up, his battery | Secretary, box 43, Columbus. was wholly unsupported. In our immediate front the ground was literally covered with dead Iowa, will hold their sixth annual Reunion at and dying. The gray coats of the Confederates Story City, Iowa, August 7, 8, 1884. were thickly mingled with the blue of the Union dead. The green coats of the U.S. sharpshooters and the red trousers and embroidered | sary of Chaplin Hills or Perryville-at Wellsjackets of the 14th Brooklyn lay thickly among the corn hills, and along by the rail fence were whole winrows of dead of both blue and gray.

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Sally of Chapill Hills of Columbus; B, the corn hills, and along by the rail fence were whole winrows of dead of both blue and gray. The sunken road was filled with dead and dying. Newark; I, Cardington, and K, Wellsville. The Way over by the edge of the field nearest regiment was mustered into the three years' the Union lines, by the east wood, lay the body | service at Camp Dennison, June 3, 1861, and its of a rebel Colonel shot all to pieces. The rebel | first Rennion was held at Cardington, Sept. 14, sharpshooters were posted in the tree-tops in 1876. There are now on the roll of the assothe west woods, and were picking off our men | ciation 400 survivors, distributed by States and one by one. Little Charlie King-a bright post-offices as follows: Ohio, 301-107; Kaneyed, dark-haired drummer boy of the 49th sas, 26-19; Missouri, 14-10; Indiana, 13-10; Pa., about 12 years of age, and the favorite of lows, 12-9; Pennsylvania, 9-7; Illinois, 8his regiment—was standing behind me, when 8; West Va., 4-3; Tennessee, 4-3; Michigan, a minie ball pierced his breast and he fell into 3-3; Colorado, 2-2; District Columbia, 2-1, my arms calling the name of his mother. The | and one each in Alabama, California, Nebraska, took him to the rear and gave him in charge of New Mexico. The minutes of Reunions from the Surgeon. But we could not wait, and, leaving him in gentle hands, we hurried back to the meeting, if sufficient funds can be raised, the front. As the wound was a bad one he must speeches, poems and full proceedings of the 5th, have died, but I have often thought I would 6th, 7th and 8th will be published. Arrangelike to knew whether he died or not. Can any ments are in progress for a meeting of the 3d member of the 49th tell me? As regards the Ohio boys living in Kansas, Missouri and the ether battery-I cannot now recall the name- West at the time and place of meeting of the it was further to the right of Frank's, and was next Kansas Department Encampment and

The 86th Illinois at Perryville.

To THE EDITOR: Your number of June 19 gave a description of Perryville, or more properly Chaplin Hills. Col. Dan. McCook's brigade, consisting of the 85th, 85th, 125th Ill., | quoit Bay, N. Y., Aug. 1. Assessment will be and 52d Ohio, I presume were the first troops | \$1.75 for each member, and for every additional to open fire in that our first battle. We were bue eight days out from Louisville, having started Oct. 1. On the morning of the 7th our | 22d Cav. are invited to bring their families. brigade being in the lead, the Soth Ill. was de- | Members will assemble at 9 a. m. at rooms of tailed for picket. About dark and near 10 p. O'Rorke Post, City Building, Front St. Address m. Co. E. Capt. Fountain, and Co. H, Capt. L. B. Caldwell, Pres., Rochester, N. Y. Hall, were placed out as videts, and by daylight opened quite a brisk fire, which was kept | Ohio Association, announces the annual Reup till 10 a. m., when Gen. Fry, of Zollicoffer fame, ordered us to charge the rebel pickets. fire social on the evening of Aug. 6. Members We charged over the ridge behind which we living in Wayne County are requested to bring had been lying during the night, and across a | baskets well filled. small stream, up a steep hill, and drove the rebunder him.

The one killed was a member of Co. G. This being our first trial with the rebels we felt having led the day before. From our position we could see the battle racing around the Rus- association. sell house, observe our troops retire and then

The "Foriorn Hope" at Fredericksburg.

Gen. Burnside's order, issued in December, 1862, in favor of giving gold medals to 100 men of the 89th N. Y. who participated in the "forlorn hope" at the battle of Fredericksburg. mearly 100 prisoners and drove the rebels out of the city, thus making a way for our army to cross the river. The medals were never given to us .- John L. Tobey, Caton, Stenben Co.,

tions at Fredericksburg, Va., says: "About Williams, and the Major's name was Reilley or with our artillery to check the fire of the General? I desire the information for an old enemy. After consultation with Gens. Hunt Mexican soldier. - 8. J. ARNETT, Madison, and Woodbury, I decided to resume work on Nev. the bridge and gave directions, in accordance with a suggestion of Gen. Hunt, to send men liams Lieutenant-Colonel, and J. V. Ruehle over in pontaons to the other shore as rapidly Major of 1st Mich. Vols. in the Mexican war. as possible, to drive the enemy from his position on the opposite bank. This work was officer of that regiment. T. B. W. Stockton most gulfautly performed by Col. Hall's bri- was Colonel of the 16th Mich., and A. S. Wilgade—the 7th Mich and 15th and 20th Mass. | liams a Brigadier-General in the last war.at the upper bridges and by the 89th N. Y. at | Ep.] the middle bridge, and the enemy were soon driven from their position." He makes no mention of a reward for the rendering of this service.-Ep.1

The 1st N. Y. Beary Artiflery.

To THE EDITOR: Please state through the 1864 to the close of the war; and, 2d, how many | by all druggists. See advt. men did they lose, killed, wounded and prisoners, on that campaign .- A. H. CLARK, New-

sometime in October, 1864; and in Second Brig., perfect, and the work is done in the most First Div., Second Corps, to sometime in Feb. artistic manner. They are printed upon a ruary, 1865; Second Separate Brig., Eighth | tinted background, on the best plate paper, Corps, to June 18, 1865, and in Separate Second | 17 x 22 in size. Brig., Middle Dep't, to August 1, 1865. Casualties on Grant's Virginia campaign; Killed and died of wounds, 14 officers and 258 men; wounded, 8 officers and 360 men; missing, 10 officers and 470 men. It is probable that some of the wounded are counted among the missing. The regiment entered the service with 58 officers and 1,600enlisted men.-Ep.]

The Pay of Privates. To THE EDITOR: Please state in your col-Times when the Government raised the wages from \$13 to \$16, and oblige some of the readers of THE THIBUNE .- JAS. ROE, Sterling, Ill. The pay of privates of the army was increased from \$11 to \$13 per month by Act of to \$16 per month by Act of Congress approved

June 26, 1884 -- Ep.1 And She is Worthy of Him, Too.

[Leavenworth (East.) Times.] Gen. Logan is the first man the Republicans have nominated for the Vice-Presidency with a wife to share the honors. Dayton, nominated in 1856; Hamlin, in 1890; Johnson, in 1864; Colfax, in 1888; Witson, in 1872; Wheeler, in 1876, and Arthur in 1880, were all widowers.

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REUNIONS.

Recent Gatherings of Veterans and Some Yet to T. J. Alverson, Litchfield, Ky.: A Reunion of the old soldiers of the County will be held there on the 1st and 2d days of Sept. under the auspices of Post No. 8. H. H. Joslin, Durand, Ill., Secretary of the 55th Ill. Association .: A Reunion of our regiment

will be held at Canton, Ill., on the 30th and 31st days Oct. The Encampment of the Third Brigade, O. N. G., will occur at Cleveland, Aug. 19 to 26, Webster, of Cowan's battery, it occurred to me | instead of 14 to 21, as announced heretofore.

Sedgwick's repulse, (if you choose to call it | Geo. F. Dutton, Lewiston, Me., writes us that such). Our brigade (Hancock's) came in on the | the semi-annual Encampment of the Departdouble-quick as Sedgwick's division was falling | ment of Maine will be held at Old Orchard

The Reunion of the Sunapee Lake (N. H.) G. hot day, and we had been running all the morn- A. R. Association, July 3, 4, and 5, was well ing to get on the field, and as we came up upon attended and passed off in a satisfactory the double-quick through a piece of timber, to manner. Comrades came into camp on the 3d the east of the cornfield, by the right flank, we from all directions, and at night a camp-fire saw abundant evidence of the rout or disaster | was built and the boys got around it and made of Sedgwick's division. The woods and fields the air ring with army songs. On the 4th over were full of stragglers and wounded men. Can-non shot and shell were flying in all directions. Commander, W. H. Perry, Post 10, Newport; It seemed as though the air was alive with S. V. C., W. H. Redfield, 12, Claremont; J. V. missiles of destruction. Gen. Sumner came C., J. B Hoyt, 32, Wilmot; Q. M., T. B. Lewis,

to the edge of the cornfield and laid down, | Commander James Hine, Easton Post, Du where the ground fell off considerably, so that Bois, Pa., has issued a circular announcing a we were partially covered, expecting every Reunion to be held there Thursday, Sept 11, moment to be ordered to charge. As we came of the 63d, 105th and 57th Pa. A military out of the field we passed a battery on our im- drama-the Blue and the Gray-will be premediate right in position, and "bellowing like sented, and the following are expected to make mad." It was, I am quite sure, Capt. Frank's addresses: Col. Danks, of the 63d; Chill. W. N. Y. battery; I think they were 5-inch Na- Hazzard, Thos. G. Sample, Leut.-Col. Morgan, poleon guns. The cannoncers, many of them. of the 63d, Col. S. M. Jackson, of 11th Pa.

and were black and grim with powder and | The Ohio Prisoners Association has decided smoke. The guns were vomiting forth grape to bold its annual Reunien this year at Dayton, and canister, double shotted at every discharge, instead of Circleville, on July 29, 30 and 31. and fairly leaped from their position at every The following organizations of Union ex-Prisoners of War have been invited by the National every inch of ground in front and on either | Rennion Committee to participate: Ohio Assoflank. I never witnessed such rapid firing or | ciation, Columbus and Cincianati Divisions of saw guns worked as they were. Capt. Frank | same, and Cleveland and Toledo Associations. was riding back and forth calling for supports | For further particulars address David Bragg,

The soldiers and sailors of Story County,

The eighth annual Reunion of the 3d Ohio is announced to take place Oct. 8-21st anniverwound did not cause death at the time, so we | New York, Kentucky, Louisiana, Montana and probably Cowan's.-H. H. Bowles, Co. C, 6th | State Reunion. All members of the regiment are asked to send their own and comrades' postoffice addresses so that invitations to Reunions may be mailed to each one direct. Address

Secretary, J. Warren Frazier, Fawn Creek, Kan. The 2d annual Reunion of the 22d New York Cav. will be held at Newport House, Irondeperson, 90 cents, which will cover all expenses. By action of the committee members of the

A. S. McClure, Wooster, O., President 16th union, to be held at that pince Aug. 6, 7. Camp-

It is proposed to hold the Reunion of the els pellmell, losing one killed and 12 wounded. | 22d Pa. Cav. at Carmichaels, Pa., on Aug. 15. Lieut Col. McGee had his horse shot from Members are requested to send address of any comrades they may know to G. W. Daugherty, Secretary, Carmichaels.

The survivors of the 123d Ohio will hold quite proud of it. The 86th Iil. in the after- their 20th annual Reunion on Aug. 4 and 5, at noon was formed as the rear of the brigade, Lakeside, Ohio. All communications should be addressed to C. M. Keyes, President of the

The 17th annual Reunion of the Society of again advance, retake their old position, and the Army of the Tennessee will be held at drive the rebels .- J. G. Faris, Co. B, 86th Ill., Hotel Lafayette, Lake Minnetonka (near Minneapolis and St. Paul), Minn., on Wednesday and Thursday, Aug. 13 and 14. The annual address will be delivered by Gen. U. S. Grant, To THE EDITOR: I desire to see a copy of and the Reunion will be presided over by Gen. W. T. Sherman. It is contemplated to hold a veterans' Re-

union at Vinton, Iowa, on the 3d and 4th of These men crossed in boats, took, I think, E. H. Colcord, Adjutant, T. M. Coder, Post.

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Some Heroes of the Mexican War. To THE EDITOR: Will you kindly inform me what Michigan regiment it was that Col. Stockton commanded during the latter part of [Gen. Burnside, in his report of the opera- the Mexican war; the Lieutenant-Colonel was noon the fog cleared away, and we were able Reeley, and C. C. Fremont was Quartermaster

> (T. B. W. Stockton was Colonel, A. S. Wil-The name of Fremont does not appear as an

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THE SOLDIER'S VOICE.

A Veteran's Open Letter to Senator John Sherman, of Ohio. DEAR SIR: To your "courageous leadership" is attributed the defeat of the "arrears" section

speech—that " if there was a contract, a promise to pay, like there was to our bondholders," you would "throw to the winds all other considerations and pay them."

Please, sir, let me ask you: Do you not take your love for the soldiers, and assert that you of the Zouave Gazette as a specimen of Chicago enterprise in this direction.

would waive all other considerations and pay

I waive the question of how early in the par interests of the regiment, and is edited by W. a pension law was passed, for I never heard H. Christian. The first number was published the subject of pensions even mentioned among at Elisabethtown, Ky., November, 1861, with the soldiers where I served. But, let me ask | the printing material and press left by secession you, sir, What is the difference between a "legal contract" and a "moral obligation," and which | The editors were W. B. Redfield, of Chicago, is the most sacred?

SOLDIERS MADE NO BARGAINS. pay 7.3-10 per cent. interest for money to carry on the war. You accepted the offer, paid over | Herald. your money and took the bond, -yes, and took the risk, which was a dangerous one.

Early in the war you, as the Government, by just as solemn and sacred an enactment, held out the promise of a pension to soldiers those who were killed. Would it be unjust to the club shall dictate." assume that all those who enlisted after that | The regiment held its annual Reunion at But, sir, when soldiers were wanted at the opening of the war, did they stop to quibble and first ask, "What shall we have therefor?' Do you remember that in 48 hours' time a hundred thousand men were ready and eager to go to the conflict? Did they take the risk without even a contract, either legal or moral? Would they, sir, have wasted a moment at that time to parley over a contract? Did \$13 a with them? Do you remember that while they were receiving \$16 a month in the army those who stayed at home as laborers received \$40 and \$50; and that the wages of the former were consumed by their families for food; and that over and over, they came out at the close of most concise manner, the information is so clear the war with all their old debts paid off and and explicit as to be readily comprehended. maimed, but proud and happy that the country | and its national outcome from the dismember-

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ple" and "generations yet unborn" in that TIONAL TRIBUNE. act, and yet declare all legal and moral obligations to the rest of us canceled and paid by the "act of limitation?"

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PENSIONS NOT THOUGHT OF. Mr. Sherman, I give my word that I never | the enemy. heard during the whole war among the soldiers at the front a word about getting pensions. and souls. We had no power to compel you to fulfill your obligations,—to "embarrass yourselves and served faithfully to the end of his term of with our old back claims." You gave and you service. took away at your own good pleasure. And now, Second let me tell you, during the time you speak of, when you "could have paid these claims so easily and not have felt it," when you had plenty of money, there were several hundred thousand of them piled up in the Pension Office and with the clerical force you had it would take several years to pass upon and adjudicate them; 200,000 perhaps are there yet, and many of them date back beyond that time. Why did you not dispose of them? Why do you not now dispose of them, since you say you are in favor | in the service in the line of duty before muster out of passing a bill of relief for just such cases as many of them are? Why are you (Congress)

business transaction? Oh, "Consistency! thou art a jewel." Another thing. A large majority of the better class of soldiers, except those with broken

Seeing the crowd and rush for pensions, they have struggled on, some learning new trades, adapting themselves to new industries, and in most cases really beginning life over again. And they have waited patiently till this time; but they have been expectant, - they have had faith in their country that in time all would be adjusted righteously; but now, when they begin to feel that it is high time, and have been watching wistfully for some sign, you give them a stone; you offer them the ashes of a

bitter disappointment. " How sharper than a serpent's tooth, It is to have a thankless" country.

THE FEELINGS OF THE SOLDIER. And yet, thank God! it is not the country. You claim, sir, to have some knowledge of the feelings of the soldier. If this is true, how, in the name of Heaven, could you say so cruel a thing of any real soldier in the country as that, baving been fortunate enough to get his own arrears, he is now opposed to others getting

My dear sir, there is a bond existing between soldiers more sacred, more deep, more mysterione than any one can understand who has not forever, and smid thunders that shook the erection of a suitable building or buildings on the who with him came out of that awful holomoney, "without embarrassment to the Treasury," for his comrade to now come in for his.

You say: "Every debt yields to time, and time must cut off the claims of the soldiers."

Mr. Sherman, this is, simply amazing! Is this your highest conception of a moral obligathis your highest conception of a moral obliga-tion? What obligation can there be in a "legal

cept a moral one, unless you fall back upon my suggestion that you would meet it only because you were compelled to?

Death alone can cut them off. We will hold these righteous claims against the country we in the pension bill and the saving to the country of \$200,000,000.

As manager of the finances of the Nation, Mr. Sherman, you won a great name. The secret of your fame lay in a principle enunciated in your blood—give us our bond.—Gwynne Irwin, National Military House, Ohio.

The Newspay > Published by the 19th Ill. To THE EDITOR:—I have seen in your interesting paper of late date several notices of old pains to hold up to our view the assurance of soldiers' papers, and send you the inclosed copy

We have quite a live club here of about one Did you, then, ever vote to pension soldiers | hundred and fifty members, quite a number of and to remove limitations to the collecting of | whom, including myself, are members of the arrears? If so, why did you do it? Was it G. A. R. We expect hereafter to issue the from a sense of the justice of it; was there a Gazette regularly about once a month, and contract, that you should have thus voted? hope, by this means, to increase the interest in, If not, was it a moral obligation, or was it an and membership of, the club, as well as to gather outburst of generous charity? You paid the the material for a contemplated history of our boudholders because there was a legal obliga- regiment. We will be pleased to send you tion. You admit that if the country had made | copies as they are issued .- T. M. BEATTY, Cor. a legal contract with the soldier, that you Sec. 19th III. Veteran Club, 106 Randolph st., would pension him if he was disabled; you Chicago.

sypathizers on the approach of the Union army. and Lieut. Lyman Bridges. The publication was issued weekly during the stay of the com-The Government proposed to you and mand at that place. The second volume was thousands of others that it would issued at Athens, Ala., and at Fayetteville, Tenn., in May, 1862, and was called the Union

Mr. Christian, the present editor, says in the issue of April 8, 1884: "After nearly 22 years the roller-boy, or the printer's devil, has conceived the idea of reviving the old publication, and comrades may look for occasional disabled in the war and to the families of numbers of the Gazette as the requirements of

accepted the terms and closed the contract? | the Palmer House, Chicago, April 19 last, the anniversary of the first enlistments in Cos. A, K, C, D, and E.-ED.]

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THE DESERTION BILL.

Full Text of the Measure as it Became a Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the charge of desertion now standing on the rolls and records in the Office of the Adjutant-General of the United States against any soldier who served in the late war in the volunteer service shall be removed in all cases where it shall not deter me [you] if there was a legal con-tract between the Government of the United tary of War, from such rolls and records, or from other satisfactory testimony, that any such soldier served faithfully until the expiration of his term of enlistment, or until the first day of May, Anno Domini eighteen hundred and sixty-five, having considerations of severity upon the people of the United States, and would say, we'll fulfill our contracts, and do by these soldiers what we contracts and do by these soldiers what we reason of wounds received or disease contracted in the line of duty, but who, by reason of absence from would by our bondholders or any other credit-ors; but I deny in toto that there is is any obli-out, failed to be mustered out and to receive an gation in law or morals or in good faith to our | honorable discharge; Provided, That no soldier shall be relieved under this section who, not being sick or wounded, left his command without proper authority whilst the same was in the presence of

SEC. 2. That the Secretary of War is hereby authorized to remove the charge of desertion from the records of any soldier in the late war upon Lord willed, that we might be permitted to re-turn to our babies, occupied our whole hearts | First. That such soldier, after such charge of deproper application therefor and satisfactory proof sertion was made, and within a reasonable time

Second. That such soldier absented himself without proper authority from hospital, or from fur-lough given from hospital, while suffering from wounds, injuries, or disease received or contracted in the service in the line of duty, and, on recovery, voluntarily returned to his command and served faithfully until discharged, or died from such wounds, injury, or disease while so absent and before the date of the muster out of his command. Third. That such soldier absented himself without proper authority from furlough given by proper authority, and while so absent died from wounds, injury, or disease received or contracted

of his command. SEC. 3. That in all cases where the charge of desertion shall be removed under the provisions of continually holding out as a tempting bait a this act from the record of any soldier who has not promise to pay from now on if we will give up the arrears? received a certificate of discharge, it shall be the duty of the Adjutant-General of the United States How would that be for honor in a financial his heirs or legal representatives, a certificate of to issue to such soldier, or, in case of his death, to

SEC. 4. That when the charge of desertion shall be removed under the provisions of this act from the record of any soldier, such soldier, or, in case of his death, the heirs or legal representatives of such soldier, shall represent the soldier shall be shall b bodies, felt that it would be cruel to lay hold of the country, bleeding and exhausted at the such soldier: Provided however, That this act shall of the country, bleeding and exhausted at the close of the war with such a debt, and with the dread foreboding which pervaded every heart that possibly she might sink under it, or remain allowance for any period of time during which such soldier, and pay bounty or allowance for any period of time during which such a claim assistance from the country, bleeding and exhausted at the such soldier; that this act shall in your case you are cut on, because at the date of filing your application you will not be the soldier's widow, having remarried, and, therefore, you are allowance for any period of time during which such a debt, and claim assistance from the country of the soldier. "crippled for life," and claim assistance from soldier was absent from his command without the date of your remarriage, they are entitled to Blaine and Logan—offered to the public by

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her they went courageously to work to help set proper authority, nor shall it be so construed as to pension from the date of your remarkage, they give any pay, bounty, or allowance to any soldier, his heirs or level representatives, who served in his heirs, or legal representatives, who served in the Army a period of less than six months. SEC. 5. That all applications for relief under this act shall be made to and filed with the Secretary of War within the period of five years from and after its passage, and all applications not so made and filed within said term of five years shall be forever

> with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed. Approved July 5, 1884. THE SOLDIERS' HOME ACT. Text of the Measure as Approved-Its Generous

barred and shall not be received or considered.
SEC. 6. That all acts and parts of acts inconsistent

Provisions. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress as-sembled, That the Board of Managers of the Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers are hereby author ized and directed to logate a branch of the Home at some suitable point in either the States of Arkansas, Colorado, Kansas, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, or Nebraska. Tife same shall not be located on a tract of land less than three hundred and length of service would entitle to \$100 bounty. twenty acres in extent.

SEC. 2. That said branch Home shall be located and the ground purchased, unless the same be do-nated, by said Board of Managers within three it, too. months, or as soon thereafter as practicable from the approval of this act: Provided, That said Board of Managers may select any Government property

his baptism of fire. No, sir, you do not under- thousand dollars is hereby appropriated for the SEC. 4. That the sum of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars is hereby appropriated for the purposes hereinbefore mentioned and the improvement of the grounds of said branch Home.

SEC. 5. That all honorably-discharged soldiers and sailors who served in the war of the rebellion and the volunteer soldiers and sailors of the war of eighteen hundred and twelve and of the Mexican war, who are disabled by age, disease or otherwise, and by reason of such disability are incapable of physician's theory that it was caused between physician's theory that it was caused by the caust alive, when you try to tell him that it is | SEC. 5. That all honorably-discharged soldiers unjust to him who has already received his and sailors who served in the war of the rebellion

SEC. 6. That the Board of Managers of the Home

contract," which is so sacred in your eyes, ex-cept a moral one, unless you fall back upon my suggestion that you would meet it only because the Pacific coast; and to that end the said board is authorized to receive propositions from the managers of the Veterans' Home located in Napa County, California, for the transfer of the buildings, grounds and property of said Veterans' Home to the United States for use as a branch of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers, and to report to Congress in respect to the property and expediency of accepting said Veterans' Home for such branch; but this section shall not interfere with the establishing of the Home provided for in this act. And, also, that the Board of Managers of the Soldiers' Home be instructed to inquire into the expediency of establishing a branch Soldiers' Home in the State of Michigan, and also as to the use of the Fort of Michigan, and also as to the use of the Fort Dearborn military reservation, and the building thereon, for that purpose, and to report to Congress thereon at an early day; but this provision shall not interfere with the establishment of the Home Approved July 5, 1884.

> THE QUESTION SQUAD. Comrades' Queries and Replies-Odds and Ends Information.

Capt. William Wallick, Peru, Ind., wants to hear

from some of the rest of the 65 captains who were confined in Libby Prison in 1863, and from whom two were selected to be executed in retaliation.— Comrade I. O. Russell, East Granite Falls, Minn. would like to hear from some of the wounded sol-diers who lay at the Estes House Hospital, Keo-(The Zouave Gazette, in its present form, is a kuk, Iowa, during the Fall and Winter of 1862-63.

Lambda La ley, of Co. B, who died from a wound received at the battle of Stone River. Hunley was a famous whistler, and would frequently cheer his comrades up during tedious marches with his lively tunes.

—A subscriber at Pennville, Mo., wishes to inform Corp. Hayes, 8th Tenn., that about 12 years ago he knew at Indianapolis, Yowa, a William M. Hayes, who claimed to have been either in a Tennessee or Kentucky regiment. He was rather small and of dark complexion. —Thomas Dever, Co. D. 8th Illi, Junction City, Kan, would like to whistler, and would frequently cheer his comrades up during tedious marches with his lively tunes. Co. D, 8th Ili., Junction City, Kan., would like to Co. D. 8th Ili., Junction City, Kan., would like to hear from the survivors of the Champion Hill Hospital in Mississippi—especially one Joseph Bates, who was wounded in the leg, right and left arm, and right shoulder.—Thos. J. Shiriey, Utica, Neb., would like to hear from some of the members of Co. M. 14th Ill. Cav.—Andrew J. Sullivan, Coffeyville, Kan., would like to know the address of Jas. A. Curry, Surgeon in charge of Hospital, Davenport, Iowa, in 1865.—Comrade G. G. Curtis, Eldorado, Kan., wishes that some of his old comrades of the bloody 42d Wis, would correspond with him.—Comrade C. D. Wood, Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, late Co. K. 2d Ill. Cav., would like to hear from some comrade who was a would like to hear from some comrade who was a member of that company during 1861-2.—W. A. Armstrong, Sturgeon, Ohio, would like the address of the Surgeon of the 27th Chio while that regiment lay in camp near Corinth, Miss., in the Summer of 1862.—Comrade H. C. Kretzer, Pawnee Rock, Kan., would like to know the name of the lady who was singing to the 27th Ohio boys in the val-ley near Farmington, Miss., May 9, 1862, when the artillery opened.—Jno. W. Scott, Holden, Mo., would like some member of the 54th Ohio to write an account of that regiment.—L. W. Armstrong Corporal, Co. E, 16th Ill., Randolph, Iowa, wonders if any comrade recollects giving to a barefooted soldier at Chattanooga, Tenn., a pair of shoes. R. B. Wright, Co. F. 139th Ill., Anawank, Minn., would like to hear from some of his old comrades and its antecedents, is an almost indispensable publication to those at all interested in the development of the campaign of the year. Great care is manifested in the compilation of data, and while everything is stated in the cold companies; also, wishes to know where Capt. H. W. Snow now resides.—Chas. Sheets, 25th Ind. Bat., Delphi, Ind., would like the address of two members of the 25th.—Comrade W. J. Harris, Co. C, 13th Ind., Lincoln, Neb., would like to hear from some of his cold companies;

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Did you, sir, consider the "rights of the peocase would amount to about \$60, and that is a great of that grade, or otherwise, as the case may be. 2. An officer can prosecute his own case if he chooses, but we would not guarantee success. Each claim is peculiar to itself, and it is impossible to say what evidence will be required, as it largely depends upon what the records show. 3. The initial proceeding is to file a claim in proper shape in the War Department. The Government does not sup-ply blanks. Such regimental records as were pro-served are on file in the War Department. 4. In some cases a vast amount of labor and experience is required, involving settlement of accounts in various bureaus, as it is often found that there are balances standing against the officer which have to be adjusted. We do not think a fee of 10 per cent. is excessive in view of the experience required by the attorney, who furnishes all the blanks and all the head work to get such a claim through. G. W. R., Collon, Cal. - By "commutation of clothing" you probably mean the money value of clothing not drawn, which was paid the soldier in eash, where he did not draw his entire allowance. You may not have drawn any clothing during the last two years of your service, and still have no claim against the Government, because the amount due a soldier for clothing not drawn was usually included in his final statements, and paid him by the paymaster at discharge. If there was any extra-ordinary reason why this was not done in your

case you failed to state it.

E. McD., Union City, Mich.—It is impossible to tell from a single leaf of any plant what it may belong to, unless it be of something well known or peculiarly marked. The leaf sent us looks like the leaf of some Euphorbiaceous plants, but without more definite information and probably without flowers and fruit, its name or character cannot well be determined.

H. A. C., East Dover, Vt .- If the nature of the disability has been shown by reliable testimony, we should advise an appeal to the Secretary of the Interior. The decisions of Secretary Teller have been uniformly liberal and humane,

K. Pomona, Kan., says: in advancing pension

from \$24 to \$30 per month will the Pension Office in addition to requiring the applicant to show himself unable for manual labor, also require him to show that he cannot or does not perform clerical service? Answer. No. It makes no difference how much clerical labor a pensioner can perform, that does not affect the rating. Only ability or inability to perform manual labor is taken into considera-Mrs. - , Sullivan, Indiana, states as follows : My husband was in the service and became disabled there, was discharged for his disability, and died

of his trouble in about 18 months after discharged. I remained his widow for eight years, then I remarried. No application has ever been made for his pension nor for myself. Can pension now be procured? Answer. Had you applied prior to July 1, 1880, you would have been entitled to a pension for yourself and \$2 additional for each child under 16 years of age (at the date of soldier's death) until claims have been filed since June 30, 1880, can only draw pension from date of filing application, and time each became 16 years of age. In case of your death they will be entitled to the arrears of pension back to the date when their father died. J. M. B., Crawford's Corners, Pa.-A minor who, after enlistment, gave all his bounty and savings of his monthly pay to his parents, cannot by legal process compel them to refund. It was proper that he should contribute to their support in re-turn for their care of him while a child. It does not look very well for a son to raise the question as to how he can get back money voluntarily donated by him to his parents some 20 years ago. They were then and are yet entitled to it.

J. V., Pittsburg, Pa.—1. We cannot say how much money was paid in a certain claim. The pension agent who made the first payment can inform you. 2. Act of July 22, 1861, provided a bounty of \$100 for an honorable service of two years. Act of March 3, 1863, provided that \$100 bounty be paid to such soldiers as had enlisted for two years and were discharged prior to that period of service on account of wounds. Therefore, unless discharged for wounds, a soldier had to serve two length of service would entitle to \$100 bounty.

A. N. C., Tecumseh, Neb.—Gen. John A. Logan went out as a soldier at the first battle of Bull Run

and carried a musket. He did good service with Subscriber, Indian Orchard. - By insignia we presume you refer to shoulder-knots. Those of a Major are two gold leaves, and a Lieutenant-Colotaken his life in his hand, steeled his heart against the terrors of death, and entered into one of those dreadful conflicts, feeling that it was the last of friends, of home, of earth to him forever, and amid thunders that shook the earth and volleys that were like the ripping open of the very Heavens, and amid the slaughter as of a city laid low in a day, received his baptism of fire. No, sir, you do not under-

physician's theory that it was caused by wearing a truss is ingenious, but we do not think the Pansion Office will entertain such a theory. You can apply for increase on disability resulting from fiver and ague, if there is such disability existing.

D. C. S., Newport, Pa., says: Can a man the has

only served in the State defenses and who was not mustered in the United States service at all, can be join a Post of the Grand Army of the Republic? Answer. Art. 4, Chap. I, of Rules and Regulations, G. A. R., provides that members "of such State regiments as were called into service and subject to the orders of U. S. General officers, between the dates mentioned (April 12, 1861, and April 9, 1865), shall be eligible." You can decide for yourself whether this applies to the case.

J. F. K., East Liverpool, Ohio.—No bill has passed Congress granting pension of \$30 for total deafness. The law remains unchanged; \$13 is the rate for total deafness. The Mexican pension bill and the amendments to the pension Isws which were attached to said bill having failed in the House, there are no new laws relating to pensions; therefore, the various questions submitted cannot be answered.

E. J. R.—Congress has provided for the appointment of 150 special pension examiners for services

ment of 150 special pension examiners for services in the field. About 120, in addition to those already examined, will be needed to fill these position and examinations will be held as soon as practi-able by the Civil Service Commission at differen places throughout the country to meet the conveni-ence of applicants. All applications must be made on blanks that will be furnished by the Civil Servto blanks that will be furnished by the Civil Service Commission to all who apply. The examination will necessarily embrace some knowledge of law, especially the rules of evidence, and some knowledge of anatomy and physiology. For text of Mexican pension bill, etc., see THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE of July 3.

Principle of July 3.

Springfield, Mass., says: Does the Government pay bounties to soldiers who have served 20 years or more, or does it pay bounties for long service?

Answer. No. The only reward for long service is additional monthly pay for each re-enlistment.

C. W. V., Bangor, Me., says: Please inform me if all pension claims in the hands of special examiners are those that have had statements made against them by mailedness research. against them by malicious persons. Answer. No. Probably a small per cent, only of claims in hands am drawing a pension of \$24 per month for loss of arm. Can I get an increase on another wound, which is mentioned in the original application, or can I get an increase on hernia? The three combined prevent me from any manual labor. Assert. If the latter statement be correct, you are entitled

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